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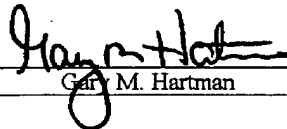
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NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 CFR §41.31

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner's Office Action dated **June 6, 2005 (Paper No. 06012005)**.

Claims 1-20 are currently pending in the application: claims 1, 6-9, 14, 18, and 19 have been twice rejected and are the subject of this appeal.

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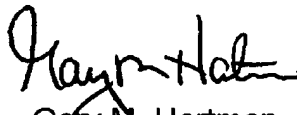
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